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Attention: Office of Petitions

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition, pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.137(b), to revive the aboveidentified application which became abandoned for failure to timely respond to the Office Action dated September 13, 2004. In support of this Petition, Applicants state as follows:

- 1. Attached hereto is a completed Credit Card Payment Form. Please charge the credit card identified thereon in the amount of \$750.00 petition fee (small entity) pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.17(m). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to the credit card identified in the attached Credit Card Payment Form.
- 2. Applicants' response to the outstanding Office Action is being filed concurrently with the filing of this Petition.
- 3. Since this application was filed on or after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.
- 4. The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional, and in fact, may have been unavoidable as the delay was the result of Office errors associated with changing the customer number associated with the correspondence address for this application, as discussed below.
- 5. On August 20, 2004, prior to the issuance of the outstanding Office Action, the undersigned submitted a new Power of Attorney revoking any previous powers and also a Change in Correspondence Address. Nonetheless, the records of the Office indicate the outstanding Office Action was sent to a prior correspondence address, although the law firm associated with the address the Office records show the outstanding Office Action was sent to have no record of receiving the outstanding Office Action. Furthermore, the

customer number associated with the correspondence address for this application was subsequently changed, without authorization from undersigned.

- 6. The undersigned became aware that an Office Action was outstanding upon receiving a telephone call from the Examiner handling the case, who was calling to inquire whether a response had been submitted. Subsequent to this telephone call, the undersigned was able to obtain a copy of the outstanding Office Action from the Office's PAIR system. Despite being informed by telephone of the improper customer number associated with the correspondence for this application, the Examiner did not send the Notice of Abandonment to the address associated with the customer number of the undersigned's firm. A copy of the Notice of Abandonment was obtained from the Office's PAIR system. It should be noted the Notice of Abandonment erroneously indicates that the undersigned had authorized any change in correspondence address. Subsequent to learning of the abandonment, the undersigned conferred with Office personnel to change the customer number associated with correspondence address back to the customer number specified in the Change of Correspondence address submitted by the undersigned.
- 7. Should the Office determine the delay in responding to the outstanding Office Action was unavoidable, rather than unintentional, the Office is requested to refund the difference in the amount of the petition fee to the credit card identified in the attached Credit Card Payment Form.

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Because Applicants have complied with all of the requirements of 37 CFR § 1.137(a) and/or 1.137(b), they respectfully request that the Commissioner grant this petition and revive the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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